

Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0047

2007Open to Public
Inspection**A** For the 2007 calendar year, or tax year beginning

and ending

B Check if applicable

- ☒ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Termination
☒ Amended return
☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type See Specific Instructions

C Name of organization

CENTER FOR COMPETITIVE POLITICS

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)

124 S. WEST STREET

Room/suite
201

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

D Employer identification number

20-3676886

E Telephone number

703-894-6800

F Accounting method☒ Cash ☐ Accrual

Other (specify) ►

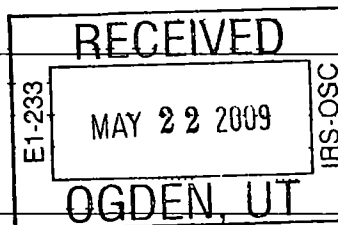
• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations**H(a)** Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No**H(b)** If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ► N/A**H(c)** Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If "No," attach a list)**H(d)** Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? ☐ Yes ☒ No**I** Group Exemption Number ► N/A**M** Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Sch B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)**G** Website ► WWW.CAMPAIGNFREEDOM.ORG**J** Organization type (check only one) ☒ 501(c) (3) (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**K** Check here ☐ if the organization is not a 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return**L** Gross receipts. Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ►

834,471.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received					
a Contributions to donor advised funds		1a			
b Direct public support (not included on line 1a)		1b	820,851.		
c Indirect public support (not included on line 1a)		1c			
d Government contributions (grants) (not included on line 1a)		1d			
e Total (add lines 1a through 1d) (cash \$ 820,851. noncash \$)		1e	820,851.		
2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)		2			
3 Membership dues and assessments		3			
4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments		4	13,620.		
5 Dividends and interest from securities		5			
6 a Gross rents		6a			
b Less rental expenses		6b			
c Net rental income or (loss) Subtract line 6b from line 6a		6c			
7 Other investment income (describe ►)		7			
8 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		(A) Securities		(B) Other	
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses		8a			
c Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)		8b			
d Net gain or (loss) Combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B)		8c			
9 Special events and activities (attach schedule) If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>					
a Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1b)		9a			
b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses		9b			
c Net income or (loss) from special events Subtract line 9b from line 9a		9c			
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		10a			
b Less cost of goods sold		10b			
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) Subtract line 10b from line 10a		10c			
11 Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)		11			
12 Total revenue. Add lines 1e, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11		12	834,471.		
13 Program services (from line 44, column (B))		13	360,309.		
14 Management and general (from line 44, column (C))		14	144,626.		
15 Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))		15	47,864.		
16 Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)		16			
17 Total expenses. Add lines 16 and 44, column (A)		17	552,799.		
18 Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 17 from line 12		18	281,672.		
19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))		19	284,118.		
20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)		20	0.		
21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18, 19, and 20		21	565,790.		

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses

All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others.

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22a Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach schedule) (cash \$ 0 • noncash \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22a				
22b Other grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ 0 • noncash \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22b				
23 Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23				
24 Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24				
25a Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-A	25a	274,821.	181,421.	76,694.	16,706.
b Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-B	25b	0.	0.	0.	0.
c Compensation and other distributions, not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	25c				
26 Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b, and c	26	75,824.	54,258.	17,562.	4,004.
27 Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b, and c	27				
28 Employee benefits not included on lines 25a - 27	28	4,588.	2,073.	198.	2,317.
29 Payroll taxes	29	27,560.	14,004.	11,692.	1,864.
30 Professional fundraising fees	30	6,000.			6,000.
31 Accounting fees	31	5,375.		5,375.	
32 Legal fees	32	11,700.	10,708.	992.	
33 Supplies	33	2,470.	621.	1,662.	187.
34 Telephone	34	887.	595.	239.	53.
35 Postage and shipping	35	13,444.	535.	135.	12,774.
36 Occupancy	36	42,571.	28,523.	11,494.	2,554.
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37	2,877.	1,913.	816.	148.
38 Printing and publications	38	2,042.	1,613.	34.	395.
39 Travel	39	4,345.	1,872.	2,339.	134.
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	9,455.	7,409.	2,040.	6.
41 Interest	41				
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	42	5,996.	3,775.	1,883.	338.
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize):					
a MISCELLANEOUS	43a	15,438.	7,251.	8,041.	146.
b PROFESSIONAL FEES	43b	40,220.	40,000.	220.	
c WEB & IT SERVICES	43c	7,186.	3,738.	3,210.	238.
d	43d				
e	43e				
f	43f				
g	43g				
44 Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a through 43g. (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	44	552,799.	360,309.	144,626.	47,864.

Joint Costs. Check ☐ if you are following SOP 98-2.Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ N/A, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ N/A,

(iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ N/A, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ N/A

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions)

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ►		Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs, and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others)
EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN THE AREAS OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT		
All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)		
a	TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE BENEFITS OF COMPETITION IN ELECTIONS AND FIRST AMENDMENT LAW	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>		84,179.
b	CCP'S LITIGATION PROGRAM CONSIST PRIMARILY OF PREPARING LEGAL BRIEFS TO SUBMIT IN COURT CASES AND ADVISING PARTIES TO CASES ON LEGAL ISSUES	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>		263,147.
c	CCP RESEARCHS ISSUES RELATED TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE, FREE SPEECH, AND POLITICAL RIGHTS	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>		12,983.
d		
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
e	Other program services (attach schedule)	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
f	Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)	360,309.

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Part IV Balance Sheets (See the instructions)**Note:** Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
Assets	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing		45
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	280,127.	46 523,983.
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a	
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a	
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	48c
	49 Grants receivable		49
	50 a Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50a
	b Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		50b
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable	51a	
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53
	54 a Investments - publicly-traded securities	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV	54a
	b Investments - other securities	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV	54b
55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a		
b Less: accumulated depreciation	55b	55c	
56 Investments - other		56	
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a 49,599.		
b Less: accumulated depreciation STMT 1	57b 7,992.	3,991. 57c 41,607.	
58 Other assets, including program-related investments (describe ► SECURITY DEPOSITS)	0.	58 200.	
59 Total assets (must equal line 74). Add lines 45 through 58	284,118.	59 565,790.	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		60
	61 Grants payable		61
	62 Deferred revenue		62
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		63
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities		64a
	b Mortgages and other notes payable		64b
	65 Other liabilities (describe ►)		65
66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65	0.	66 0.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.		
	67 Unrestricted	284,118.	67 565,790.
	68 Temporarily restricted		68
	69 Permanently restricted		69
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.		
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72
	73 Total net assets or fund balances. Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72 (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21)	284,118.	73 565,790.
	74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	284,118.	74 565,790.

Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return (See the instructions)

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	a	N/A
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 12:		
1	Net unrealized gains on investments	b1	
2	Donated services and use of facilities	b2	
3	Recoveries of prior year grants	b3	
4	Other (specify):	b4	
	Add lines b1 through b4	b	
c	Subtract line b from line a	c	
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 12, but not on line a :		
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1	
2	Other (specify):	d2	
	Add lines d1 and d2	d	
e	Total revenue (Part I, line 12). Add lines c and d	e	

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	a	N/A
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 17:		
1	Donated services and use of facilities	b1	
2	Prior year adjustments reported on Part I, line 20	b2	
3	Losses reported on Part I, line 20	b3	
4	Other (specify):	b4	
	Add lines b1 through b4	b	
c	Subtract line b from line a	c	
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 17, but not on line a :		
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1	
2	Other (specify):	d2	
	Add lines d1 and d2	d	
e	Total expenses (Part I, line 17). Add lines c and d	e	

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each person who was an officer, director, trustee, or key employee at any time during the year even if they were not compensated.) (See the instructions)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
BRADLEY A. SMITH 124 S. WEST STREET, #201 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	CHAIRMAN/CO-FOUNDER 8.00	40,396.	0.	0.
ERIC O'KEEFE 124 S. WEST STREET, #201 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
STEPHEN M. HOERSTING 124 S. WEST STREET, #201 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	VICE PRESIDENT/CO-FOUNDER 40.00	159,831.	0.	948.
SEAN PARNELL 124 S. WEST STREET, #201 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	PRESIDENT 40.00	71,077.	2,569.	0.

Yes	No
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75b

X

75c

X

75d

X

Benefits (If any former officer, director, trustee, or key employee received compensation or other benefits (described below) during the year, list that person below and enter the amount of compensation or other benefits in the appropriate column. See the instructions.)

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	Yes	No
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X

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X

78a

N/A

78b

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X

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X

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exempt

| 81a

0

81b

x

Part VI Other Information (continued)

		Yes	No
82 a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?		X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II (See instructions in Part III)		
	82b N/A		
83 a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	X	
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to <i>quid pro quo</i> contributions?	X	
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?		
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
	N/A		
85 a	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?		
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?		
	If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.		
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members		
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures		
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices		
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)		
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?		
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?		
	N/A		
86	501(c)(7) organizations Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities		
87	501(c)(12) organizations Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
88 a	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX		X
b	At any time during the year, did the organization, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Part XI		X
89 a	501(c)(3) organizations Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 0., section 4912 0., section 4955 0.		
b	501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction		X
c	Enter. Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
d	Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization		
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
f	All organizations Did the organization acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract?		X
g	For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		X
90 a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed VA		
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2007		3
91 a	The books are in care of THE CENTER Telephone no 703-894-6800 Located at 124 S. WEST STREET, SUITE 900, ALEXANDRIA, VA ZIP + 4 22314		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country N/A See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		X

Part VI Other Information (continued)

Yes No

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States?

91c

X

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country N/A

92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041- Check here

and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year

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N/A

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See the instructions)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

93 Program service revenue:

a _____

b _____

c _____

d _____

e _____

f Medicare/Medicaid payments

g Fees and contracts from government agencies

94 Membership dues and assessments

95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments

96 Dividends and interest from securities

97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:

a debt-financed property

b not debt-financed property

98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property

99 Other investment income

100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets

other than inventory

101 Net income or (loss) from special events

102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory

103 Other revenue

a _____

b _____

c _____

d _____

e _____

104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))

105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))

Note: Line 105 plus line 1e, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See the instructions)

Line No. Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes)

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See the instructions)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See the instructions)

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes☒ No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes☒ No

Note: If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions).

Part XI Information Regarding Transfers To and From Controlled Entities. Complete only if the organization is a controlling organization as defined in section 512(b)(13) N/A

106 Did the reporting organization make any transfers to a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.

Yes	No

	(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer
a	----- ----- -----			
b	----- ----- -----			
c	----- ----- -----			
Totals				

107 Did the reporting organization receive any transfers from a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.

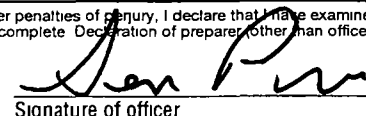
Yes	No

	(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer
a	----- ----- -----			
b	----- ----- -----			
c	----- ----- -----			
Totals				

108 Did the organization have a binding written contract in effect on August 17, 2006, covering the interest, rents, royalties, and annuities described in question 107 above?


Yes	No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Please Sign Here:  Date 5-13-09

Signature of officer: SEAN PARNEILL, PRESIDENT

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only: Preparer's signature  Date 5/05/09 Check if self-employed ☐ Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See Gen. Inst. X)

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: RUBINO & MCGEEHIN, CHARTERED
6903 ROCKLEDGE DRIVE, SUITE 1200
BETHESDA, MD 20817

EIN Phone no 301-564-3636

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

OMB No 1545-0047

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Name of the organization

CENTER FOR COMPETITIVE POLITICS

Employer identification number

20 3676886

Part I

Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 1 of the instructions List each one If there are none, enter "None ")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000	▶ 0			

Part II-A

Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services

(See page 2 of the instructions List each one (whether individuals or firms) If there are none, enter "None ")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services	▶ 0	

Part II-B

Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services

(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms If there are none, enter "None " See page 2 of the instructions)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services	▶ 0	

Part III **Statements About Activities** (See page 2 of the instructions)**Yes** **No**

1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ► \$ _____ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes" must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.	1		X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions) a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property? b Lending of money or other extension of credit? c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities? d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? SEE PART V-A, FORM 990 e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?	2a 2b 2c 2d 2e	 X X 	 X X
3 a Did the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how the organization determines that recipients qualify to receive payments) b Did the organization have a section 403(b) annuity plan for its employees? c Did the organization receive or hold an easement for conservation purposes, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," attach a detailed statement d Did the organization provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?	 3a 3b 3c 3d	 	 X X X X
4 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," complete lines 4b through 4g. If "No," complete lines 4f and 4g. b Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? c Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? d Enter the total number of donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year e Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year f Enter the total number of separate funds or accounts owned at the end of the year (excluding donor advised funds included on line 4d) where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts g Enter the aggregate value of assets in all funds or accounts included on line 4f at the end of the tax year	 4a 4b 4c	 	 X
N/A			
N/A			
► N/A			
► N/A			
► 0.			
► 0.			

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2007

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 4 through 8 of the instructions)I certify that the organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6 ☐ A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 10 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11b ☐ A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 12 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 13 ☐ An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and otherwise meets the requirements of section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization:
☐ Type I ☐ Type II ☐ Type III-Functionally Integrated ☐ Type III-Other

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 8 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Employer identification number (EIN)	(c) Type of organization (described in lines 5 through 12 above or IRC section)	(d) Is the supported organization listed in the supporting organization's governing documents?		(e) Amount of support
			Yes	No	
Total					

- 14 ☐ An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See page 8 of the instructions.)

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) **Use cash method of accounting.**
Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting.

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2005	(c) 2004	(d) 2003	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	344,608.	251,005.			595,613.
16 Membership fees received					
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	20,172.				20,172.
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, income from similar sources, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	8,791.				8,791.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge.					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets.					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	373,571.	251,005.	0.	0.	624,576.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	353,399.	251,005.			604,404.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	3,736.	2,510.			
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					12,088.
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2003 through 2006 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					240,824.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test. Enter line 24, column (e)					604,404.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines 18 <u>8,791.</u> 19 <u> </u> 22 <u> </u> 26b <u>240,824.</u>					249,615.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					354,789.
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					58.7006%
27 Organizations described on line 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: (2006) <u>N/A</u> (2005) <u> </u> (2004) <u> </u> (2003) <u> </u>					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: (2006) <u>N/A</u> (2005) <u> </u> (2004) <u> </u> (2003) <u> </u>					
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines 15 <u> </u> 16 <u> </u> 17 <u> </u> 20 <u> </u> 21 <u> </u>					N/A
d Add: Line 27a total <u> </u> and line 27b total <u> </u>					N/A
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					N/A
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test. Enter amount on line 23, column (e)					N/A
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					N/A %
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					N/A %

28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2003 through 2006, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.

NONE

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 9 of the instructions)

N/A

(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

	Yes	No
29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?	29	
30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	30	
31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe, if "No," please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)	31	
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32 Does the organization maintain the following		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	32a	
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	32b	
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	32c	
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)	32d	
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33 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a Students' rights or privileges?	33a	
b Admissions policies?	33b	
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	33c	
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?	33d	
e Educational policies?	33e	
f Use of facilities?	33f	
g Athletic programs?	33g	
h Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)	33h	
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34 a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	34a	
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement	34b	
35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation	35	

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Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 11 of the instructions)

N/A

(To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)Check ☒ **a** ☐ if the organization belongs to an affiliated groupCheck ☐ **b** ☐ if you checked "a" and "limited control" provisions apply**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures**

(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred)

	(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for all electing organizations
	N/A	
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	36	
37 Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37	
38 Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38	
39 Other exempt purpose expenditures	39	
40 Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40	
41 Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table -		
If the amount on line 40 is -		
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 40	
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000	
42 Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	42	
43 Subtract line 42 from line 36 Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	43	
44 Subtract line 41 from line 38 Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	44	

Caution If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 13 of the instructions)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				N/A
	(a) 2007	(b) 2006	(c) 2005	(d) 2004	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					0.
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					0.
47 Total lobbying expenditures					0.
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					0.
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					0.
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					0.

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 14 of the instructions)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of

- a** Volunteers
- b** Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)
- c** Media advertisements
- d** Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e** Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f** Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g** Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h** Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i** Total lobbying expenditures (Add lines c through h.)

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities

Yes	No	Amount
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
		0.

51 Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

- (1) Cash

(ii) Other assets

- b Other transactions**

- (i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization**

- (ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization

- (iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets

- (iv) Reimbursement arrangements**

- (v) Loans or loan guarantees

- (vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations**

- c** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

- d** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

	Yes	No
51a(i)		X
a(ii)		X
b(i)		X
b(ii)		X
b(iii)		X
b(iv)		X
b(v)		X
b(vi)		X
c		X

N/A

[illegible]

- 52 a** Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ▶ ☐

▶ ☐ Yes ☒ No

- b. If "Yes," complete the following schedule

N/A

[illegible]

Asset No	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Line No	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179	Current Year Deduction
11	EQUIPMENT	VARI	ESSL	.000	16	49,599.			49,599.	1,996.		5,996.
	* TOTAL 990 PAGE 2					49,599.		0.	49,599.	1,996.	0.	5,996.
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FORM 990 DEPRECIATION OF ASSETS NOT HELD FOR INVESTMENT STATEMENT 1

DESCRIPTION	COST OR OTHER BASIS	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	BOOK VALUE
EQUIPMENT	49,599.	7,992.	41,607.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV, LN 57	49,599.	7,992.	41,607.

SCHEDULE A	EXPLANATION OF TRANSACTIONS PART III, LINE 2C	STATEMENT	2
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BRAD SMITH, CHAIRMAN AND CO-FOUNDER IS PAID FEES FOR CONSULTING SERVICES. SEE PART V-A, FORM 990.

Form **4562**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name(s) shown on return

Depreciation and Amortization 990
(Including Information on Listed Property)

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

OMB No 1545-0172

2007Attachment
Sequence No **67**

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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179 Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I

1	Maximum amount See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	125,000.
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation	500,000.
4	Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)
		(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8
9	Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2006 Form 4562	10
11	Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5	11
12	Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2008. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.)

14	Special allowance for qualified New York Liberty or Gulf Opportunity Zone property (other than listed property) and cellulosic biomass ethanol plant property placed in service during the tax year	14
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)**Section A**

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2007	17
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here	

Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2007 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only - see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs.		S/L	
h Residential rental property	/		27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
	/		27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property	/		39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
	/			MM	S/L	

Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2007 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a	Class life				S/L	
b	12-year		12 yrs		S/L	
c	40-year	/	40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (see instructions)

21	Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations - see instr.	22
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23

Part V Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, cellular telephones, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)

Note: For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete only 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable

Section A - Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? ☐ Yes ☐ No **24b** If "Yes," is the evidence written? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/ investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/ Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost
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25 Special allowance for qualified Gulf Opportunity Zone property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use

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26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use:

		%						
		%						
		%						

27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:

		%			S/L -		
		%			S/L -		
		%			S/L -		

28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1

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29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1

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Section B - Information on Use of Vehicles

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person.

If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

	(a) Vehicle	(b) Vehicle	(c) Vehicle	(d) Vehicle	(e) Vehicle	(f) Vehicle
30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)						
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year						
32 Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven						
33 Total miles driven during the year. Add lines 30 through 32						
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?						
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?						

Section C - Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons.

37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	Yes	No
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners		
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?		
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?		
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use?		

Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles

Part VI Amortization

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
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42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2007 tax year:

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43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2007 tax year

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44 Total. Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report

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